## **Blount Island Procurement**

The Marine Corps completed the acquisition of the Blount Island facility in Jacksonville, FL, in 2004. Blount Island Command is now responsible for the stewardship of the land, buildings, and environment. As such, facility management processes for base operating support and services, capital improvements, facilities sustainment and restoration, and anti-terrorism force protection are being put in place to parallel those used at other Marine Corps' installations.

In addition, an encroachment mitigation control plan will be developed to monitor and contain internal and external development threats to Blount Island's long-term mission capability. All proposed land use will be consistent with the Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF) mission, as amplified in the integrated Blount Island Business Plan and 2004 Master Plan. Joint operations and exercises will be encouraged, and priority consideration will be given to expansion opportunities for military and Federal use. On a case-by-case basis, potential short-term leasing may also be considered in conjunction with MPF and Federal uses.



Our goal is to continue to sustain MPF operations and also expand the strategic value of the Blount Island Command, as it continues to play a vital role in our national defense.